

EDUCATIONAL EXAMINERS BOARD[282]

Notice of Intended Action

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)"b."

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 272.2, the Board of Educational Examiners hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 13, "Issuance of Teacher Licenses and Endorsements," Iowa Administrative Code.

These proposed amendments change the different classes of licenses issued by the Board. The amendments seek to make application for licensure more user friendly by combining several classes of licenses. The amendments combine Class B, C, and D licenses into one license, Class B, and rescind separate rules for Class C and D licenses.

A waiver provision is not included. The Board has adopted a uniform waiver rule.

Any interested party or persons may present their views either orally or in writing at the public hearing that will be held Wednesday, May 27, 2009, at 1 p.m. in Room 3 Southwest, Third Floor, Grimes State Office Building, East 14th Street and Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

At the hearing, persons will be asked to give their names and addresses for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of the proposed amendments. Persons who wish to make oral presentations at the public hearing may contact the Executive Director, Board of Educational Examiners, Grimes State Office Building, East 14th Street and Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0147, or at (515)281-5849, prior to the date of the public hearing.

Any person who intends to attend the public hearing and requires special accommodations for specific needs, such as a sign language interpreter, should contact the office of the Executive Director at (515)281-5849.

Any interested person may make written comments or suggestions on the proposed amendments before 4 p.m. on Friday, May 29, 2009. Written comments and suggestions should be addressed to Kim Cunningham, Board Secretary, Board of Educational Examiners, at the above address, or sent by E-mail to kim.cunningham@iowa.gov, or by fax to (515)281-7669.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 272.

The following amendments are proposed.

ITEM 1. Amend subrule 13.10(5) as follows:

13.10(5) *Based on an expired Iowa certificate or license, exclusive of a Class A, or Class B, ~~Class C, or Class D~~ license.* The holder of an expired license, exclusive of a Class A, or Class B, ~~Class C, or Class D~~ license, shall be eligible to receive a Class A license upon application. This license shall be endorsed for the type of service authorized by the expired license on which it is based.

ITEM 2. Amend rule 282—13.11(272) as follows:

282—13.11(272) Specific requirements for a Class B license. A Class B license, which is valid for two years and which is nonrenewable, may be issued to an individual under the following conditions:

13.11(1) Endorsement in progress. The individual has a valid license and one or more endorsements, but is seeking to obtain some other endorsement. A Class B license may be issued if requested by an employer and if the individual seeking this to obtain some other endorsement has completed at least two-thirds of the requirements, or one-half of the content requirements in a state-designated shortage area, leading to completion of all requirements for ~~that~~ the endorsement.

13.11(2) Program of study for special education endorsement. The college or university must outline the program of study necessary to meet the special education endorsement requirements. This program of study must be attached to the application.

~~**13.11(2)**~~ **13.11(3) Request for exception.** A school district administrator may file a written request with the board for an exception to the minimum content requirements on the basis of documented need and benefit to the instructional program. The board will review the request and provide a written decision either approving or denying the request.

13.11(4) Provisional occupational license. If an individual is eligible for a provisional occupational license but has not met all of the experience requirements, a Class B license may be issued while the individual earns the necessary experience.

ITEM 3. Rescind and reserve rules ~~282—13.12(272)~~ and ~~282—13.13(272)~~.

ITEM 4. Amend subrules 13.14(1) and 13.14(2) as follows:

13.14(1) Expired license. Based on an expired Class A, Class B, ~~Class C, Class D~~ or teacher exchange license, the holder of the expired license shall be eligible to receive a Class E license upon application and submission of all required materials.

13.14(2) Application. The application process will require transcripts of coursework completed during the term of the expired license, a program of study indicating the coursework necessary to obtain full licensure, and registration for coursework to be completed during the term of the Class E license. The Class E license will be denied if the applicant has not completed any coursework during the term of the Class A, or Class B, ~~Class C, or Class D~~ license unless extenuating circumstances are verified.